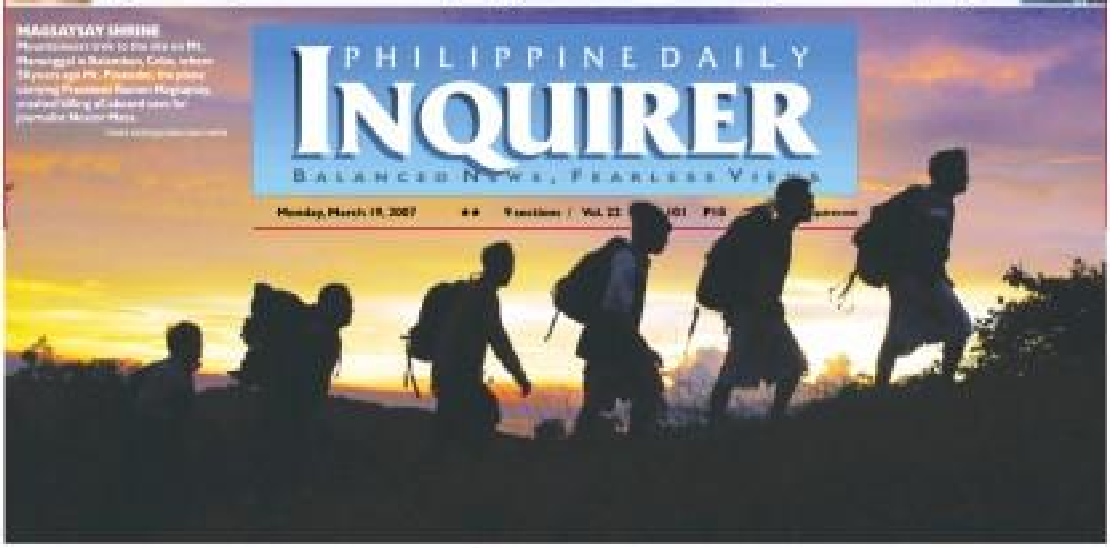




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MAGSAYSAY SHRINE

Joker: Let's go slow in condemning AFP

'Only some in military responsible for killings'

By Gil C. Cabacungan Jr.

ILOILO CITY—REELECTIONIST SEN. JOKER ARroyo is urging the public to go slow in condemning the entire military for the unusually high number of unresolved killings of militants under President Macapagal-Arroyo's administration.

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Esperon: Bones not 'recycled' in Leyte

By Vincent Cabreza
Inquirer Northern Luzon
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3 Filipino women off to Everest

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JANET Belarmino (left), Noelle Wenceslao (center) and Carina Dayondon pose before their departure at the Naia.

Cut in $360-M US assistance to RP looms

ANALYSIS

By Amando Doronila

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Top PMA grad offers Navy cap to father

By Vincent Cabreza
Inquirer Northern Luzon



LIGAYA Mojica dons a Navy cap that will soon be worn by her daughter, Cadet First Class Andreline Mojica.

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US airline employs chief apology officer

DALLAS, TEXAS—AIRLINES are getting serious about saying they're sorry.



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Botika ng Bayan sells cheaper drugs

By Amy R. Remo

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Misuari allowed to file candidacy


MISUARI

DETAINED MORO rebel leader Nur Misuari will fly to Mindanao tomorrow to file his certificate of candidacy for Sulu governor after a Makati court granted his request to travel, his lawyer said yesterday.

'Blank ballots help lousy bets'

FPJ party-list group urging Susan, daughter to run

Free review classes for nurses set

THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMployment on Saturday entered into an agreement with the Association of Deans of Philippine Colleges of Nursing (ADPCN) to hold review classes in 29 nursing schools nationwide for those wishing to retake portions of the leak-tainted June 2006 nursing licensure exam.

The retake was required by the US Board Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools for all Filipino nurses who passed the exam and want to work in the United States.

"These schools are practically doing this for no profit at all; we want to help the nurses pass their final exam in the US," Labor Secretary Arturo Brion said.

"This will remove all doubt and bring back the lost reputation of the nursing profession," said ADPCN president and University of the East Ramon Magsaysay College of Nursing Dean Carmelita Divinagracia.

The reviews, to be held from April 14 to June 3, will be for free. President Macapagal-Arroyo had allocated P50 million for the reviews and retake.

Registration may be done online on the DOLE website from March 23 to April 8.

The retake will be held in eight schools, namely, UP Manila, University of Sto. Tomas (Manila), St. Louis University (Baguio City), St. Paul University (Tuguegarao City and Iloilo City), Silliman University (Dumaguete City), Xavier University (Cagayan de Oro City) and San Pedro College (Davao City). *Jerome Aning*

Mining limits reimposed on small firms

By Michael Lim Ubac

AMID PROTESTS BY ENVIRONMENTal groups and big mining firms, Malacañang has abandoned its earlier decision to lift the limits imposed on the extraction of minerals by small-scale miners across the country.

Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita instead tossed back to Environment Secretary Angelo Reyes the task of resolving whether Platinum Group Metals Corp. (PGMC) should be permanently stripped of its Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) for extracting nickel ore beyond volume limits set by government.

In an order dated March 8, Ermita [illegible] that the only issue brought before him was the cancellation of PGMC's ECC. He said that since all the cases against PGMC involved allegations of over-extraction, the firm should be given the chance to be heard by Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

Ermita thus reversed his earlier decision allowing PGMC to resume its mining operations in [illegible].

By remanding PGMC's case [illegible] to DENR "for further proceedings and reception of evidence," the Office of the President has also effectively abandoned its [illegible] decision reinstating PGMC's ECC.

"DENR is now looking into the technical aspect while the DOJ (Department of Justice) will be looking into the legal aspect. Only the recommendations of the DENR and DOJ will eventually influence the outcome of this case," Ermita said.

The new Palace order in effect requires small mining firms to comply with [illegible] volume limits set by government.

Mining activities that employ only manual labor and don't use heavy equipment and blasting are considered small-scale under both Presidential Decree 1899 and Republic Act 7076.

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Gov't agency insists Marcos wealth benefited farmers



Cheaper utilities not for all elderly

Meralco marks fete by helping schools



Joker: Let's go slow in condemning AFP

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if the rebellious elements they (the opposition) had chosen as rank coated? They cannot speak with a forked tongue," Arroyo said.

A veteran human rights lawyer who, at 86, is the oldest senatorial candidate on the campaign trail, Arroyo had been silent in recent months on the controversy surrounding extrajudicial executions, leaving Bro. Mariano "Mike" Velarde, leader of the 8 million-strong El Shaddai charismatic group, scratching his head.





FROM LEFT: Michael Defensor, Sen. Joker Arroyo, Rep. Miguel Zubiri's wife Audrey and Sen. Ralph Recto munch on sugarcane stalks as Team Unity's senatorial candidates visit a mill in Barangay, Leyte.

Last week, Velarde indicated that he might include Arroyo in the list of 12 senatorial candidates he would endorse in the May elections because Arroyo was a brave man of high principle—qualities that he thought a member of the upper chamber should possess.

'Wrong is wrong'

But Velarde asked: "Why is he (Arroyo) not speaking on the political killings? If you have unwavering principles, what is wrong is wrong."

At the Leyte news conference, Arroyo and the other Team Unity members declared that they did not favor a move to revive the anti-subversion law as part of ongoing efforts to clamp down on individuals and groups sympathetic to the communist movement.

Arroyo noted that not even the military was a "monolithic organization" that blindly followed its leaders, citing differences of opinion on whether to outlaw communism.

Senatorial candidate Michael Defensor said that instead of going after communist sympathizers with "hammer and tongs," the government should encourage them to take their ideological battle in Congress.

"We should allow the communists to stay in Congress and let the military focus its fight versus the armed component of the group, the New People's Army," said Defensor.

During a campaign stop in Ormoc City in Leyte on Saturday, Arroyo urged the administration to ignore the US Senate inquiry that began last week in Washington into the alleged murders of more than 830 militants since Ms Arroyo became President in 2001. The Inquirer count is 299 killed.

'No business'

"They have no business looking into it," Arroyo said. "How free are we going and participating officially, investigating what is happening in the country? We can't stoop down."

Senatorial candidate Edgardo Angara also said in Ormoc that any finding of the US Senate subcommittee on East Asia and the Pacific on the alleged state-sanctioned killing of left-leaning persons was not binding on the Philippines.

"We may question it. The testimonies may not all be reliable. Some of them could come from political sources," Angara said.

But he said it was necessary for the Philippines to show that it was complying with international conventions on human rights because respect for human rights was an international concern, not just of the United States.

Sison's fears

On Saturday, Jose Ma. Sison, founding chair of the Communist Party of the Philippines on exile in the Netherlands, said that President Macapagal-Arroyo was out to get her enemies through the antiterror law that takes effect after the May balloting.

He warned that the administration's counterinsurgency campaign would spark more political killings.

"More people would be killed, abducted and made to suffer by Ms Arroyo's allies in the military and police," he said on his website. *With reports from Cynthia D. Balana and Christine O. Avendaño*





Negros tillers fault DAR for their plight

By Jocelyn R. Uy





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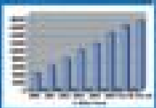
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A nation amusing itself to death

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Veterans cautioned on fixers



Misrepresentation, cause for alarm

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20 years waiting

Optimistic

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DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Board of Foreign Service Examinations of the Department of Foreign Affairs announces the holding of the –

FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER (FSO) EXAMINATION

to recruit candidates for appointment to the position of Foreign Service Officer Class IV (FSO IV).

The Examination is composed of three (3) parts which will be held on the following dates:

Qualifying Test:	6 May 2007
Written Examination:	22, 23 and 24 August 2007
Oral Examination:	To be determined at a later date

IMPORTANT:

(1) Application forms and relevant information regarding the examination may be downloaded from the Department of Foreign Affairs website (**www.dfa.gov.ph**). Forms may also be obtained personally or requested through mail from the following offices of the Department of Foreign Affairs:

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Botika ng Bayan sells cheaper drugs

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Distribution network

Employment opportunities abound

Generics advocacy



GRADUATES of the Philippine Military Academy "Mangisi" Class of 2007 are hurled into a pool by underclassmen as part of a ritual before today's commencement exercises at the country's premier military training institution.

Top PMA grad offers Navy …

Put on a happy face

Another setback

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Everything unforgettable

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6 ARMM provinces on poll watch list

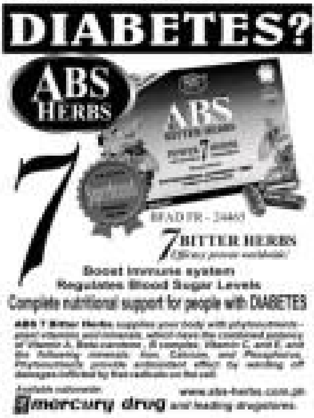
ZAMBOANGA CITY—THE SIX PROVINCES OF THE Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao have been placed under the Philippine National Police and Commission on Elections watch list after they were labeled "hotly contested areas."

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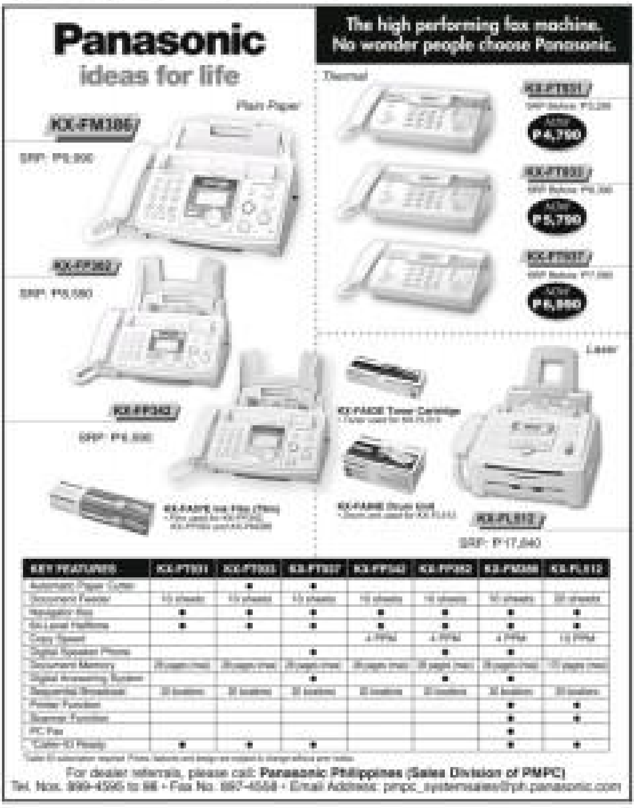
Comelec probes teachers' leaves in time for May polls

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FILSCAP WINS COPYRIGHT INFRINGEMENT CASE VS. RAJAH BROADCASTING NETWORK

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2 detainees join fasting of 'Tagaytay 5'

Laguna inmate dies in prison



DAVAO DAY

CA stops dismissal order vs Iloilo gov



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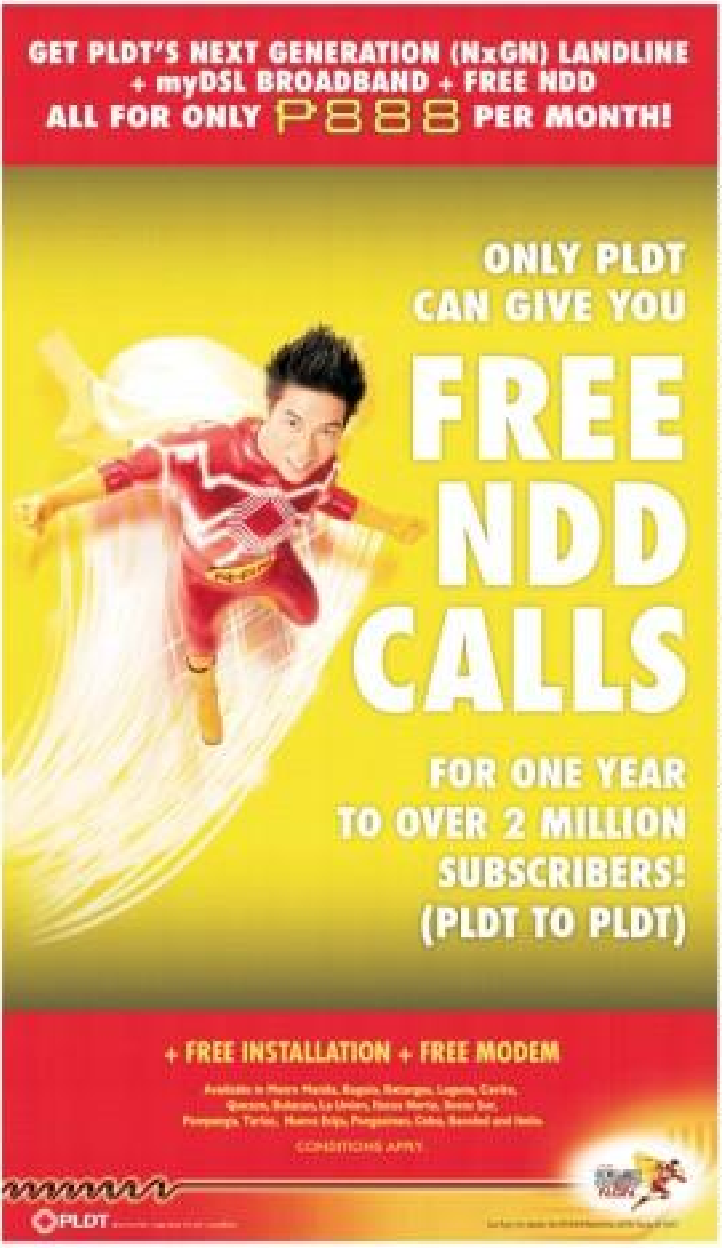
Checkpoints in Sorsogon town don't bother kin of fishers' group head





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Express still hot; Kings foil Bulls

THE AIR21 EXPRESS KEPT their winning streak intact on the same day Red Bull saw its own come to an end.

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DPWH to close Tullahan Bridge soon

Rehab work to start this week despite mayor's opposition



METRO Citizen's call

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METRO MANILA ACCIDENT REPORTING AND ANALYSIS REPORT

MMDA: Speeding top cause of mishaps in 2006

By DJ Yap

METRO MOTORISTS WHO WANT TO AVOID accidents would do well to remember the following: Drive slowly, be careful when overtaking and stay alert.

According to the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, the top three causes of traffic accidents last year were driving too fast, faulty overtaking and inattentiveness.

Based on the agency's annual report for 2006, most of the vehicular mishaps were caused by drivers who were speeding, accounting for 6,200 cases, few of which were fatal.

In close second were impatient drivers who overtook other cars with 5,568 cases, several of which were deadly, the MMDA said in its "Metro Manila Accident Reporting and Analysis System" report.

Inattentive drivers came in third with 5,228 cases, but they accounted for the biggest number of fatal mishaps at 135, records showed.

Making wrong turns and disobeying signs or traffic signals also figured highly in the list, as well as tailgating or "getting too close" to the vehicle in front, the MMDA said.

Falling asleep was also a cause of accidents, accounting for 133 cases although none were fatal, records showed.

Suspected cases of driving under the influence of alcohol only numbered 14, with one fatal incident and nine that resulted in injuries.

Suspected mechanical defects accounted for 333 cases, while lost brakes caused a dozen mishaps, the MMDA said.

Interestingly, a motorist figured in an accident for "evading an animal that was crossing" the road.

Another accident was caused by a "poorly pavement," while one more was attributed to "hanging" or when a vehicle has to stop while going up an incline or steep slope.

Cops release sketch of slay suspect

By Allison W. Lopez

A POLICE OFFICIAL YESTERDAY SAID THEY have come up with a sketch of one of the suspects in the killing of businessman Nicholas "Eric" Delgado in Malate, Manila on March 13.

Chief Insp. Alex Yungaling of the Manila Police District homicide division said they based the sketch of the suspect on the description given by witness Analiza Pestro.

He added, however, that they have yet to talk to the suspect who, according to him, checked into a hospital in Makati City to undergo detox two days after the incident.

Yungaling refused to identify the suspect although SPO4 Maying de la Cruz described him based on the sketch as around 45 to 46 years old, with short hair and "good-looking features."

According to Pestro, the man had "a good build and was around 5' 8" tall."

Delgado, 51, was stabbed dead by two unidentified men inside his penthouse at the Mayflower building on Leon Guinto Street.

Pestro, his companion, was beaten up by the suspects although she was able to escape and report the incident to the police.

Yungaling said Pestro, who is now in their custody, saw the face of one of the suspects when he removed his ski mask while trying to open a vault inside the drawer.

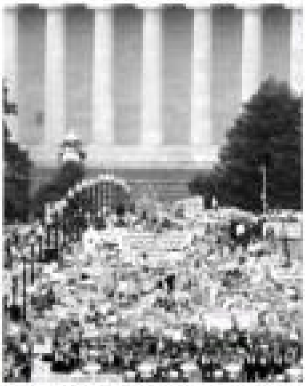
"He was probably sweating hard and thought that Analiza was already unconscious at the time," he added.

The vault's contents are still not known but investigators believe it contained "important documents" since Eric's valuables were left untouched.

Police also found the name "Franco" written in blood on the wall near Eric's body. Franco was later identified as the victim's older brother.

The victim's eldest sister, Isabel, however, denied her sibling's involvement in the murder and said there were no financial disputes among them. The Delgados own Gimbel Corp. which is engaged in shipping, trucking, cargo, real estate and other businesses. The siblings are all board directors in the company.

350 Iraqis poisoned in chlorine bomb attacks



Blair destroyed trust in politics, says watchdog



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G8 plus Five say climate problem is urgent

Finns vote in neck-and-neck election

Passenger plane crashes in Russia; 6 die

The WORLD

New Palestinian unity gov't takes power



PALESTINIAN Prime Minister and leader of the Hamas party Ismail Haniya (left) speaks with Palestinian Fatah party strongman Mohammed Dahlan, following a vote by MPs approving the long awaited unity government in Gaza City March 17. AFP

GAZA CITY—THE NEW PALESTINIAN UNITY government holds its first cabinet meeting in Gaza City on Sunday, with ministers in the Israeli-occupied West Bank participating from Ramallah via video link.

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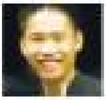
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Marquez wants Pacquiao

Barrera conqueror still smarting from 2004 draw

HAVING SETTLED THE BUSINESS AT HAND, JUAN MANUEL MARquez can now train his sights at the direction of one of the world's best pound-for-pound fighters today: Manny Pacquiao.

Marquez again flaunted his capacious technical skills in gutting out a unanimous decision triumph over fellow Mexican ring legend Marco Antonio Barrera in Las Vegas (See fight story on A31), setting him up for a rematch that could very well define his career.

And with the WBC super featherweight belt that came with the victory now strapped around his waist, Marquez has enough leverage to negotiate for a fight against the Filipino ring sensation—despite a strong clamor from fans to stage a Pacquiao-Barrera rematch.

Marquez has long wanted a rematch against the hard-punching Filipino, especially after getting knocked down three times in their first meeting in May 2004 and then battling back to forge a controversial draw.

MARQUEZ, A30

Peñalosa did the Filipino proud (Mexican did not fight like a champ)

BARE EYE



Recah Trinidad

Lopsided scoring rubs salt on Peñalosa's defeat



Gabi wins in undercard

Marquez wants Pacquiao rematch

Empire King gets back at Real Spicy

Pagunsan falters in end with 76



SPORTSWATCH

Pangilinan, PBL execs discuss Seaba stint

5 more venues for Checkmate classes

'Swing Meycauayan' derby kicks off in Makati



Red-hot Pagulayan rules Japan 9-Ball Open

Arenas is king for a day, lifts Wizards to top

Marquez decisions Barrera, wins title



LAS VEGAS, NEVADA—JUAN MANUEL MARquez took the World Boxing Council super featherweight title from Marco Antonio Barrera, winning a unanimous 12-round decision here Saturday in a showdown of Mexican stars.

Kimi takes F1 opener

Hantuchova rules 'Pacific'

Trinity, Mobil-ICA cagebelles post 3 wins in row

Koreans lead qualifiers

Don Bosco, USC dispute Cebu Cherifer cage title



BUSINESS



Manila Water to cut rates on strong peso

16 centavos/cubic meter reduction starts in April

RESIDENTS COVERED BY METRO MANILA'S EAST ZONE water concession will enjoy lower water rates starting next month due to the strengthening of the peso against the dollar.

CURRENCIES



PESO-DOLLAR RATE

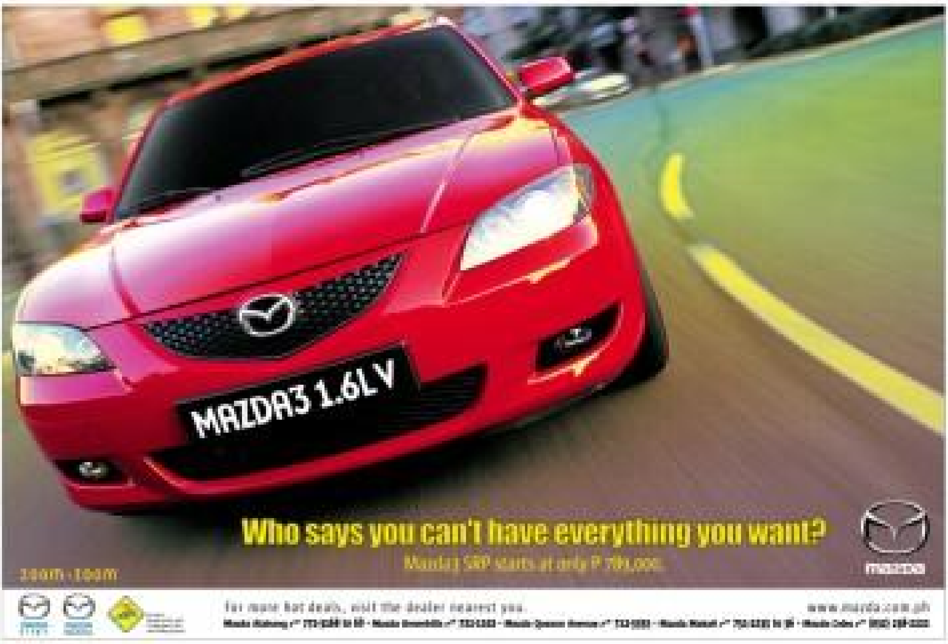
Lackluster trading seen

US firm moving operations to RP

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Cielito F. Habito

More jobless

Behind the treadmill

Sectoral composition

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Lackluster . . .

Pag-IBIG sees P9.1-B profit this year

By Doris C. Dumlao

THE STATE-CONTROLLED Home Development Mutual Fund, popularly known as the Pag-IBIG Fund, expects net profit to rise by about 18 percent to P9.1 billion this year from P7.7 billion last year.

In an interview, Pag-IBIG Fund president Romero Quimbo said the fund had seen a boom in the property sector since 2003, further supported by the drastic cuts in interest rates that allowed Pag-IBIG to increase housing funds by 35 percent each year over the last four years.

He said Pag-IBIG was so far the most profitable tax-paying government-owned and -controlled corporation, contributing [illegible] to the state coffers in 2006.

This year, he said its loan portfolio would likely hit the [illegible] mark, expanding from [illegible] last year and from [illegible] in 2005.

"We have not changed our underwriting. Our loans are more accessible today not because we've put down our guard and set aside proper credit evaluation," Quimbo explained. "They are more accessible because interest rates are much lower. Loans are now more affordable."

From an annual rate of 16 percent during the [illegible] period or right after the Asian currency crisis, Pag-IBIG now charges only 7 percent for a P300,000 loan and [illegible] percent for loans of P[illegible] and below.

"In terms of amortization, for a P500,000 loan under old rates, it should be [illegible] a month. It's now down to [illegible]," he said.

He said the Pag-IBIG was continuing to serve the niche market that banks do not serve, the low-cost housing sector.

As part of its reforms, he said the mutual fund was currently migrating to international [illegible]

PAG-IBIG B-[illegible]















Project funding for Galoc oil field completed

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Veggie trading post a boon to Banahaw farmers



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First Gen maintains focus on expanding local operations

By Abigail L. Ho

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BSP says focus should not only be on remittances

By Doris C. Dumlao

Oil imports down by 43.4% in first 2 months

Interbev launching in RP sports drink from Singapore

Higher excise taxes cause market shift to cheaper 'sin' products



Harbour Centre, oil firms in talks over depot transfer

First Gen maintains ...

BSP warns 24 banks over bond price-fixing



But some local, foreign banks claim no wrongdoing

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Gov't hopes to recover PLDT dividends

DOF official thinks it highly unlikely that the total would reach P35B



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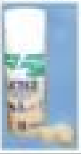
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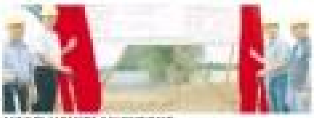


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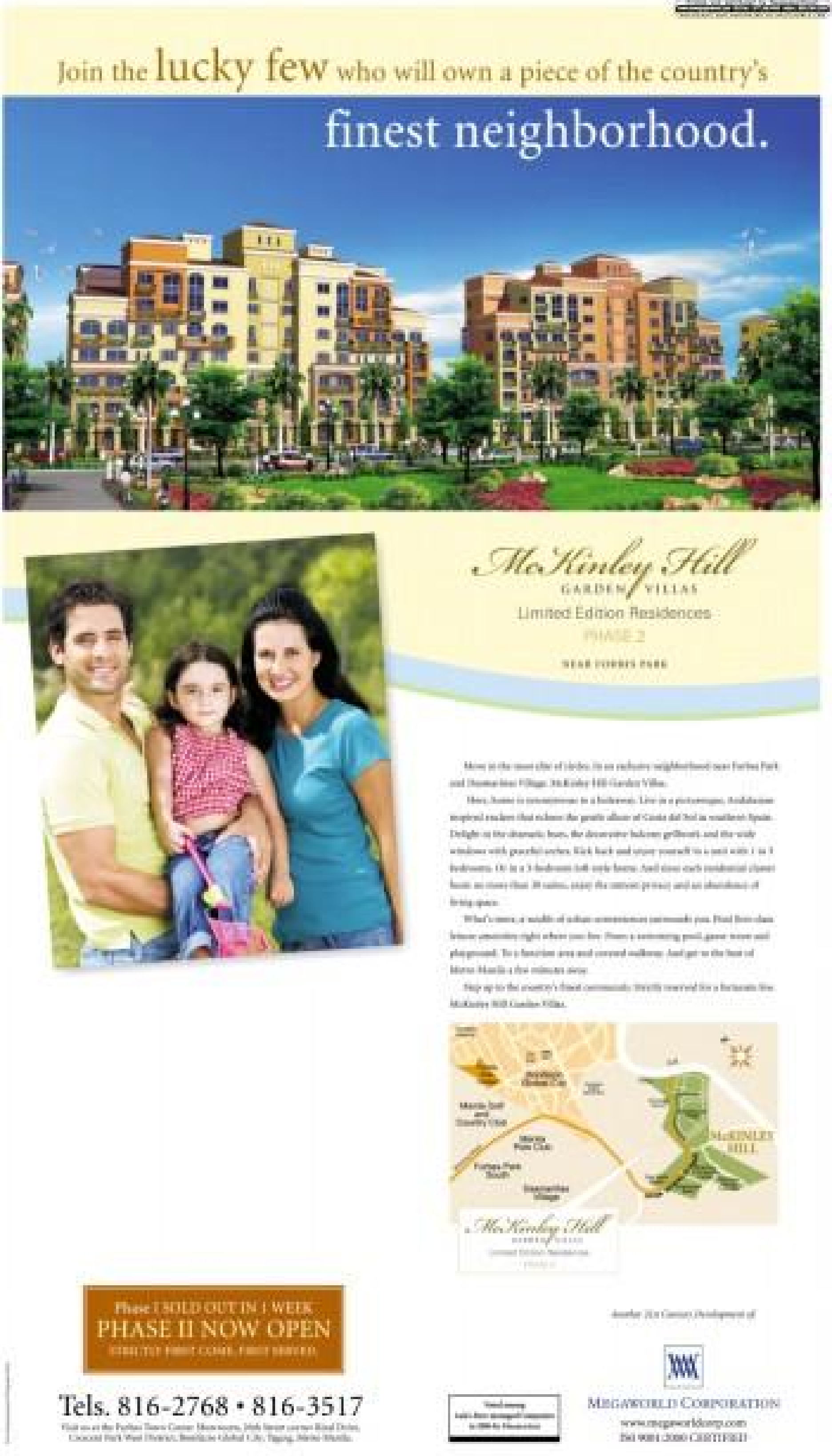
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By Nicanor P. Perlas



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Philips Philippines names new CEO



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Standard Chartered has new CFO



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Insular promotes executives

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28 years of responsible corporate citizenship

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BUSINESS Monday



From water to birds

Rafting pioneer creates aviary

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Augusto Villalon

The Architectural Legacy of Philippine National Artists seeks to memorialize landmarks and raise awareness about built patrimony

Monumental legacy

THE MANILA POLO Club in Makati, a heritage structure completed in 1950 by National Artist Pablo Antonio, was recently bestowed a marker by the Architectural Legacy of Philippine National Artists.

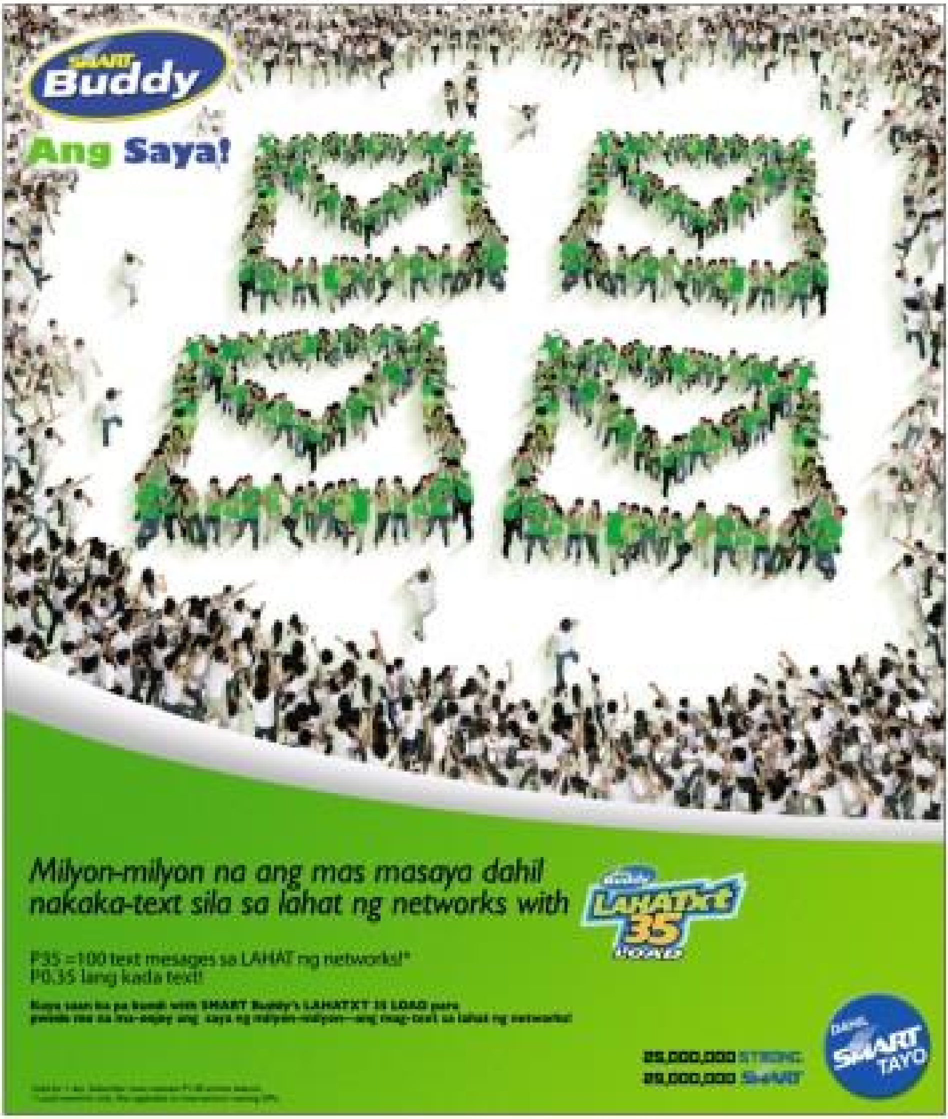
During the simple recognition ceremonies, architect Pablo Antonio Jr., representing the late National Artist's family, expressed his "profound gratitude to the officers and management of the Manila Polo Club for their tireless efforts in preserving this club."

Antonio Jr. echoed the rationale for the Architectural Legacy of Philippine National Artists program that seeks to recognize the unquestioned excellence of Philippine architecture while demonstrating that heritage structures built over 50 years ago deserve to continue living, to be reused and updated to render them more relevant to today's way of life, and that the original architectural design and character of the building should be maintained.

In recognition of greatness in Philippine architecture, four foundations are collaborating in the Architectural Legacy of Philippine National...



PABLO Antonio's Manila Polo Club has well-designed structural elements. Its extensive use of wood and adobe infuses personal warmth into the tropical building designed along the Art Deco style.



Monumental legacy

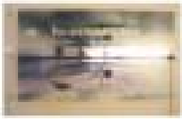




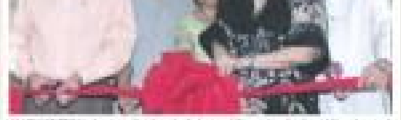
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Cesare Syjuco's 'hybrid art' combines the visual and the literary









Visual Arts



58 artists at Finale





Pardo de Leon show



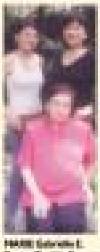
Herrera at Enterprise



Torrijos at Conspiracy Garden



3 generations at Food and Art



Arnaiz, Duterte in Iloilo

Art raffle for a cause

'Batik Alamat' at Heritage

On-the-spot painting contest

Icons of Mater Dolorosa, suffering Christ on exhibit



CALVARIO from the collection of Noel Alegarbes



M.S. de las Angustias, an ivory piece courtesy of Tom Jones

"MISTERIOS DOLOROSOS," an exhibit of sacred Roman Catholic icons depicting the grieving Blessed Mother and the suffering Christ, will formally open at the Museo de Santo Domingo on March 24, 5 p.m.

The exhibit is the fifth in a series of shows and highlights the countless treasures of the Santo Domingo Church, which is the national shrine of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary of La Naval.

The series is curated by Museo de Sto. Domingo curator Bel Nicolas.

Rare images, icons, photos and prints of the suffering Christ and the Mater Dolorosa will be featured in the exhibit. The items will come from the collections of religious art treasures Tom Jones, landscape artist Jerome de Jesus, interior designer Noel Alegarbes, Raymund Naval and Art Mendoza.

Rev. Fr. Gerald Jabola, OP, parish priest of Santo Domingo Parish, and Rev. Fr. [illegible], OP, prior of the convent will inaugurate the Lenten exhibit on March 24, after the 5 p.m. mass. The show will run until April 6.

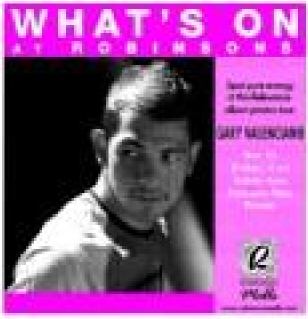


"M.S. de Soledad," an oil painting in wood courtesy of Jerome de Jesus



JESUS Encarnado, courtesy Raymund Naval





NCCA Lifetime Achievement Awards

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CULTURE and the Arts (NCCA) recently honored outstanding cultural workers for lifetime achievement with Dangal ng Haraya.

Present during the awarding were Emilio V. Tiongco, NCCA's deputy executive director; Bienvenido C. Corpuz for writing and criticism; Amelia Lapeña-Bonifacio, for promotion of Philippine culture; representatives of Pura Santillan-Castrence and Samuel K. Tan, for cultural writing and historical research; Mitch Valdez, representing the Organisasyong ng Pilipinong Mang-aawit, for artists' protection; and Gilda Cordero-Fernando, for cultural management.

The awarding ceremonies were held at Tanghalang Leandro V. Locsin, NCCA Bldg., Intramuros, Manila.







Filipino tenor is fast-rising US opera star

By Armando C. Mia
Contributor

FILIPINO TENOR LEODIGARIO "Gary" B. del Rosario is a fast-rising opera star in the US, getting critical raves in both lead and secondary roles in recently staged productions in Seattle, New Mexico and California.

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Leodigario del Rosario has been rated 'excellent' in Seattle, California and New Mexico



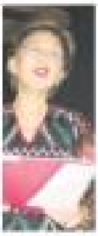
GARY del Rosario as Pinkerton opposite Dohee Kim as Madame Butterfly













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Filipino tenor is fast-rising . . .



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Career shifts and life changes

ACHING FOR CHANGE? It's not too late to change careers, learn a new skill, have your physical and psychic spaces cleared, and even find meaning in a new philosophy—Metro shows you how.

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LIFESTYLE

Children's book for the 'Sol'



BOOK cover

Artist Farley del Rosario's suite of paintings for a new children's book builds on his strengths as an exciting fabulist of colors and curlicues



"ONE LIGHT"

SOL IS SPANISH FOR "SUN." It is also the Roman mythological god personifying the sun as well as the fifth musical note in a major scale.

It's also the newest children's book of the same title, which will be launched March 20 at the Artists' Space of the Ayala Museum, along with the opening of the series of paintings that were originally made to illustrate the book.

Written by Agay Llanera and illustrated by Farley del Rosario, the book is the third

CHILDREN'S

FROM BOOK TO FILM

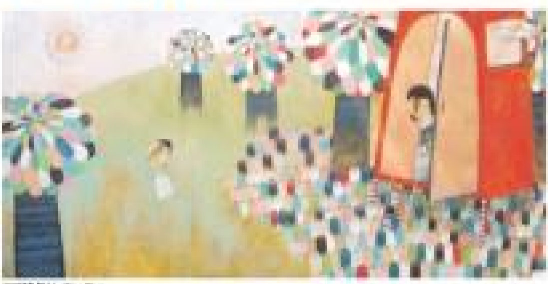
Tracing the labyrinthine source of 'Pan's Labyrinth'



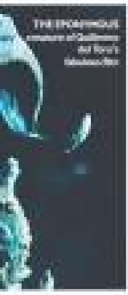




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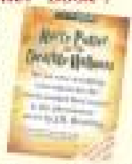






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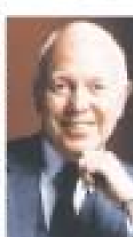
Mind magician Tony Buzan comes to Manila

Memory technique



AN EXAMPLE of mind-mapping

Brainy poet



TONY Buzan

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Personal goals

Face to face with the devil

A practicing exorcist warns about New Age excesses that may become pathways to demonic possession





Iligan workshop invites applications

ENTERTAINMENT

Tamer than US counterpart

'Philippines Next Top Model': All it has right now is potential



By Oliver M. Pulumbarit
Contributor

Review

THE NEW SHOW "PHILIPPINES' NEXT TOP Model" looks and feels considerably tamer than its US counterpart. [illegible]

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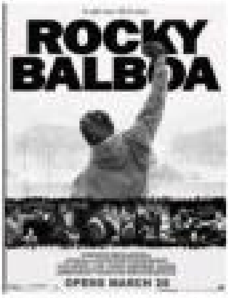
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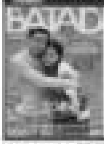
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Tamer than US . . .

From page F1

Still, watch any episode of 'Tyra Banks' long-running program and it's easy to see just how much fun such a program can be. "PNTM," hosted by former beauty queen Ruffa Gutierrez, doesn't feel that way—at least not yet.

Many sensibilities are obviously jittery—even after she being interviewed by the show's panel. A subsequent photo shoot challenge, however, yields several talents.

While seriously missing a cheesefile figure that J. Alexander has made archetypal, "Philippines Next Top Model" isn't totally humorless. Of course, it would have been great if model-comedienne Wilma Doesnt, who was a panel member for a time, had more things to do and lots of stuff to say.

On the bright side, there's already a free-flowing vibe, as the local judges are competent and knowledgeable. Aside from Gutierrez, the judges are fashion director Robbie Carmona, advertising and fashion photographer Xander Angeles, and Preview magazine editor-in-chief Pauline Juan. The panel members are undoubtedly gentle—the worst they've called one girl's photo is "boring," but they can elucidate on remarks well, and to the point.

Hit-and-miss

So far, Gutierrez's hosting is a case of hit-and-miss. She comes off as a little unwieldy when required to be all-smiles at the greeter and assign tasks to the girls—her spiels sound a little stiff and scripted. But she's quite good and open when she speaks her mind during deliberations and interviews with the aspirants.

There aren't any of the drama or controversy that local show has seems to be teeming with. The select few here are predominantly

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'300' strengthens links between filmmaking and video gaming

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Nerd Crowd?

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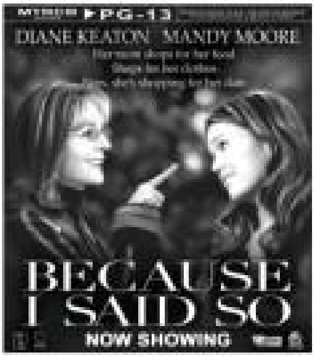
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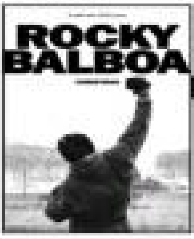
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2 BRIDGE to TERABITHIA
3 IT'S A BOY GIRL THING
4 YOU GOT ME
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ANGELES

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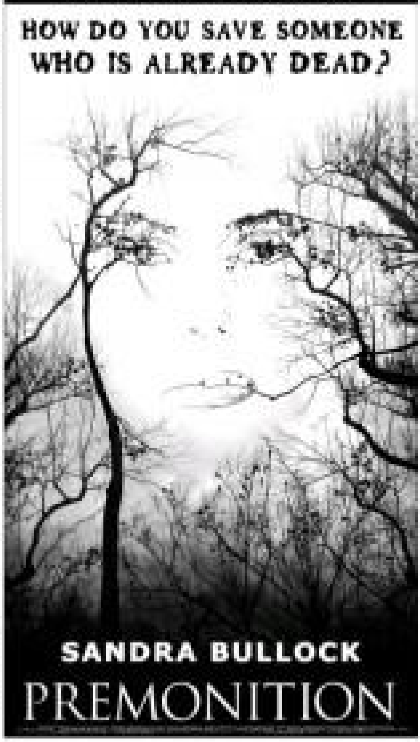
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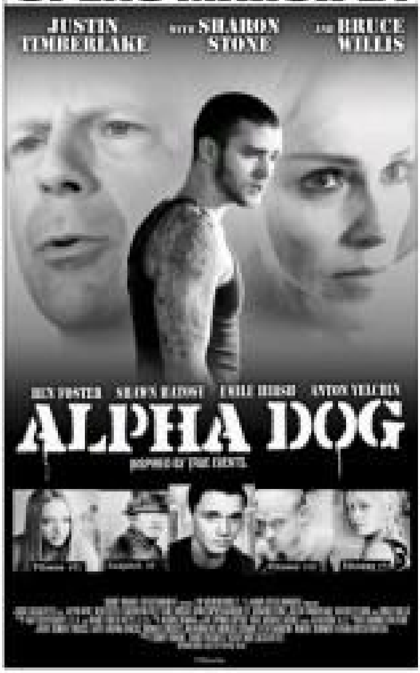
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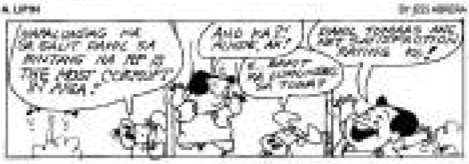
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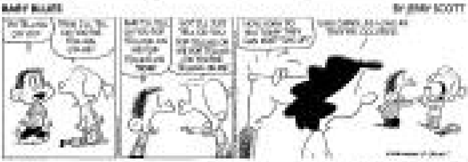
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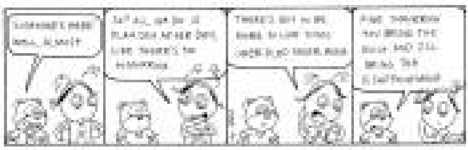
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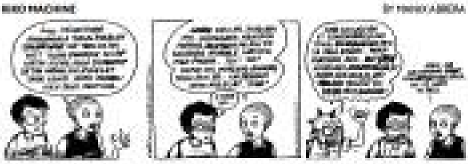
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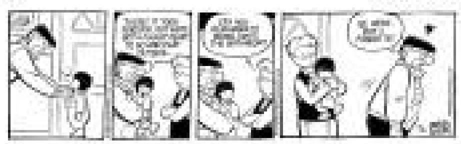




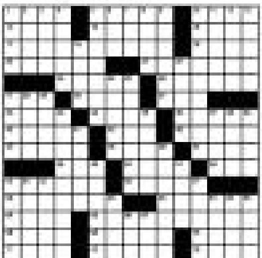
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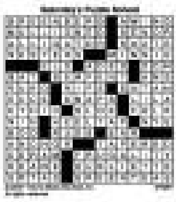


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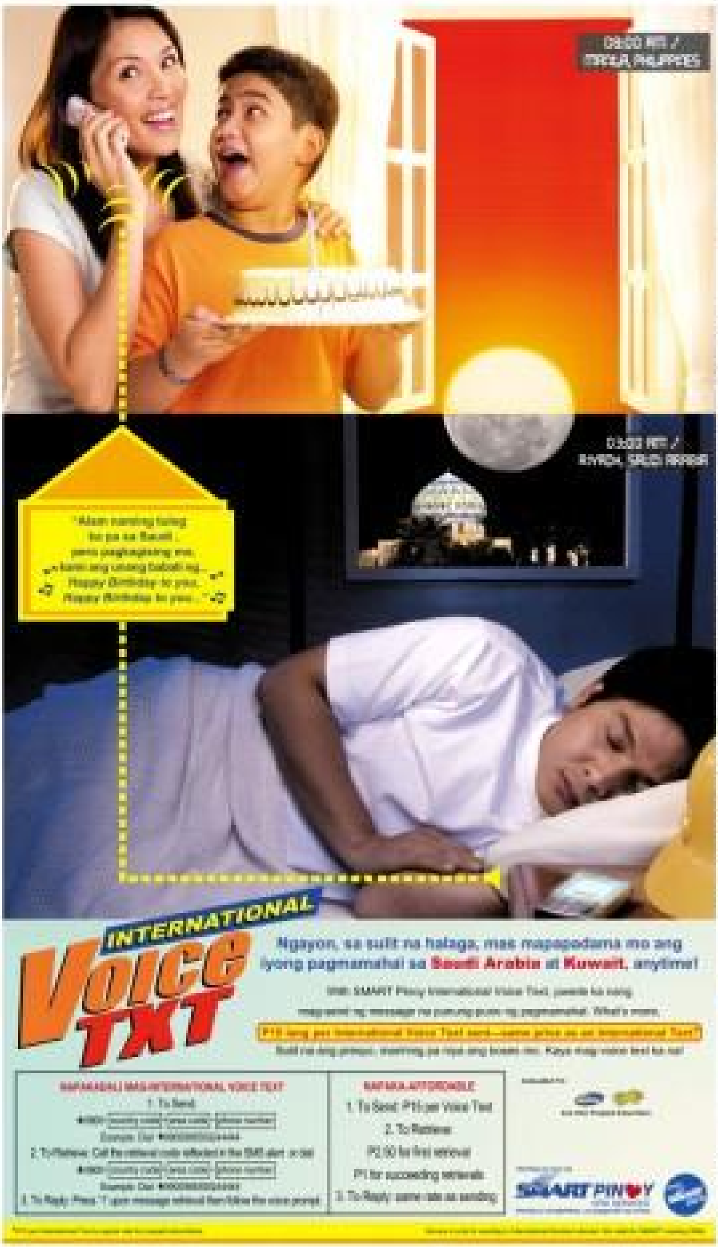
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HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Answer to previous puzzle





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Skin art

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Rushes

Self-destructive

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DAVID DUCHOVNY

Scared of mom!

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King post-surgery

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